Anti-War Statements

Returned POW's facing court martials for making anti-war statements while prisoners. How about the following?

Col. Robert Rault, Commanding Officer of all 3,000 Green Berets in Vietnam: "War is a dirty business in which high-sounding phrases are used to justify killing people."

President John F. Kennedy: "Mankind must put an end to war, or war will put an end to mankind."

Gen. Douglas MacArthur: "If men would stop fighting wars, it would be the greatest step forward in the history of the human race."

Eisenhower: "For every gun made and warship launched, some one is hungry and not getting fed. This is no way to run the world at all. Is there no other way the world may live?"

U Thant, Secretary General of the United Nations: "This war (Vietnam) is a war for national liberation, not a case of Communist aggression."

Gen. David M. Shoup, Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps (retired): "The whole of Southeast Asia, as related to the present and future safety and freedom of the people of this country, is not worth the life or limb of a single American."

Gen. Matthew B. Ridgeway, Commander of all U.S. forces during Korean war: "It is my firm belief that there is nothing in the present situation or in our code that requires us to bomb a small Asian nation back into the stone age."

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